UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB)

Plaintiff-Applicant,

SIPA LIQUIDATION

V.

(Substantively Consolidated)

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC,

Plaintiff,

V.

BANCO BILBAO VIZCAYA ARGENTARIA, S.A.,

Defendant.

Adv. Pro. No. 10-05351 (SMB)

<u>CERTIFICATION TO COURT OF APPEALS BY ALL PARTIES¹</u>

A notice of appeal having been filed in the above-styled matter on March 16, 2017, (ECF No. 129), Irving H. Picard (the "Trustee"), as trustee of the substantively consolidated liquidation proceeding of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC ("BLMIS"), under the Securities Investor Protection Act ("SIPA"), 15 U.S.C. §§ 78aaa, *et seq.*, and the estate of Bernard L. Madoff, individually, and Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria, S.A., who are the

¹ This certification complies with Official Bankruptcy Form 424.

appellant and the appellee, hereby certify to the court under 28 U.S.C. § 158(d)(2)(A) that a circumstance specified in 28 U.S.C. § 158(d)(2) exists as stated below.

Leave to appeal in this matter:

☐ is required under 28 U.S.C. § 158(a) is not required under 28 U.S.C. § 158(a)

This certification arises in an appeal from a final judgment, order, or decree of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York entered on March 3, 2017 (ECF No. 128).

An immediate appeal from the judgment, order, or decree may materially advance the progress of the case or proceeding in which the appeal is taken. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 158(d)(2)(A)(iii).

SIGNED: April 13, 2017

New York, New York

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